

# St. Aidan's Primary School - A Church of England Academy

## RE Matrix

From September 2025 onwards

|                  |             | AUTUMN  |  | SPRING  |   | SUMMER   |   |
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|                  |             | AUTUMN 1  | AUTUMN 2   | SPRING 1  | SPRING 2  | SUMMER 1   | SUMMER 2  |
| E<br>Y<br>F<br>S |             | <b>Harvest (4)</b><br>Why do people of faith say thank you to God at Harvest time?<br><br><b>I am special (5 = 4+1)</b><br>Why are we all different and special?<br>Link to world Faiths -<br>Islam: Prayer beads | <b>Christmas (6 = 4+2)</b><br>How do Christians celebrate Jesus' birthday?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Why do Hindus light candles at Diwali? | <b>Stories Jesus heard (4)</b><br>Which stories did Jesus hear when he was a child?<br><br><b>Stories Jesus told (4)</b><br>Why did Jesus tell stories? | <b>Easter (5)</b><br>Why do Christians believe that Easter is all about love? | <b>Special People (6 = 4+2)</b><br>Why do Christians believe Jesus is special?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Who are the special people in Islam and Judaism? | <b>Prayer (6 = 4+2)</b><br>What is prayer?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Prayer: Islam and Sikhism |
|                  | Y<br>r<br>1 | <b>Harvest (5 = 3+2)</b><br>How and why do people of faith celebrate and give thanks for the harvest?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>How do people of the Jewish  | <b>Christmas (5)</b><br>Why do many people give and receive gifts at Christmas?  | <b>Jesus (6)</b><br>What made Jesus Special?  | <b>Easter (5)</b><br>Why do Christians believe Easter is a new beginning?     | <b>Baptism (7 = 4+3)</b><br>How do people of world faiths welcome new babies?<br>Link to world faiths-How do people of world faiths                          | <b>Creation (6 = 4+2)</b><br>What do people of faith believe about God as creator?                |

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|             |  | <p>faith celebrate harvest?</p> <p><b>Joseph (5)</b><br/>Why is Joseph a Bible hero?</p>  |  |  |   | <p>welcome new babies in Islam and Sikhism?</p>  |  |
| Y<br>r<br>2 |  | <p><b>The Bible (10= 6+4)</b><br/>Why are holy books so important to people of faith?<br/>Link to world faiths -<br/>Do people of all world faiths have holy books?</p>   | <p><b>Christmas (5)</b><br/>Why do Christians believe the birth of Jesus was such good news?</p> | <p><b>Jesus(6)</b><br/>Why did Jesus welcome everyone?</p>   | <p><b>Easter (5)</b><br/>How do symbols help people to understand the Easter Story?</p> | <p><b>The Church (10= 6+4)</b><br/>Why are holy buildings and places important to people of faith?<br/>Link to world faiths-<br/>Why are holy buildings important to people of faith in Islam and Sikhism?</p> |  |
| Y<br>r<br>3 |  | <p><b>Harvest (5 = 3+2)</b><br/>How do people of faith say thank you to God for Harvest?<br/>Link to World Faiths-<br/>Revisit the Jewish festival of Sukkot</p> <p><b>Called by God (5 = 3 + 2)</b><br/>What is the role of a faith leader who has been called by God?<br/>Link to World Faiths - Faith leaders in Islam and Judaism</p> | <p><b>Christmas (5)</b><br/>Why do Christians believe Jesus was 'God with us'?</p>               | <p><b>Jesus (6 = 4 +2)</b><br/>How did/does Jesus change lives?<br/>Link to World Faiths-<br/>Significant people in Islam and Hinduism</p> | <p><b>Easter (5)</b><br/>Is the cross a symbol of joy or sadness?</p>                   | <p><b>Rules for living (12=6+6)</b><br/>Is the 'Golden Rule' agreed by everyone?<br/>Link to world faiths -<br/>Does everybody follow the same rules? Why? Why not?<br/>Islam, Judaism, Hinduism</p>           |  |

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| Y<br>r<br>4 |  | <b>David and the Psalms (6 = 4+2)</b><br>Which values are considered to be important by people of faith?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Which values do the stories teach us?       | <b>Christmas( 6=4+2)</b><br>Why is light an important symbol in world faiths?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Why is Hanukkah an important Jewish festival? | <b>Jesus (9=7+2)</b><br>Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Son of God?<br>Link to world faiths-<br>Why do Jewish people believe that the Sabbath/Shabbat is so important? | <b>Easter (6= 5+1)</b><br>A story of betrayal and trust?<br>Links to world faiths-<br>What do world faiths say about forgiveness? | <b>The Church (12= 6+6)</b><br>Why are holy buildings and places important to people of faith?<br>Link to world faiths -<br>Are all places of worship the same?<br>Do people worship God in the same way? |   |
| Y<br>r<br>5 |  | <b>The Bible (11= 6+5)</b><br>Why are sacred texts/ holy books so important to people of faith?<br>Link to world faiths-<br>Why are sacred texts so important to people of faith? | <b>Christmas (5)</b><br>How does the birth of Jesus fit into God's Big Story?  | <b>Jesus (6)</b><br>Why do Christians believe Jesus was a great teacher?  | <b>Easter (5)</b><br>Why do Christians believe that Easter is a celebration of victory?   | <b>Old Testament Women (7= 5+2)</b><br>Did she make the right choice?<br>Link to world faiths-<br>Jewish festival of Purim  | <b>Daniel (6= 5+1)</b><br>Daniel, did he make the right choice?<br>Link to world faiths - Judaism |
| Y<br>r<br>6 |  | <b>Life as a journey (10= 6+4)</b><br>Is every person's journey the same?<br>Link to world faiths-<br>Why do people of faith  | <b>Advent (5)</b><br>How do Christians prepare for Christmas?  | <b>The Eucharist (3)</b><br>How and why do Christians celebrate the Eucharist?<br><br>The   | <b>Jesus (5)</b><br>Who was Jesus? Who is Jesus?  | <b>God (8= 5+3)</b><br>What is the nature and Character of God?<br>Link to world faiths-<br>Have you discovered any beliefs about God in common across different faiths?                                  |   |

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|  |  | make pilgrimages? |  | <b>Exodus</b><br><b>(6=4 + 2)</b><br>Why was the Exodus such a significant event in Jewish and Christian history?<br>Link to world faiths- Judaism Exodus |  |  |
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